THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI VINOD KHANNA): (a) Yes.

(b) to (d) There are 36 female staff members in Passport Office, Hyderabad including two women officers, out of the total staff strength of 112. Female staff are deployed at separate counters meant for ladies only as well as in other sections of Passport Office, Hyderabad.

**Indians in foreign jails**

1996. SHRIMATI S.G. INDIRA : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that many Indians are harassed and are languishing in jails abroad;

(b) if so, the details thereof, country-wise; and

(c) the action taken to bring them back and to ensure such incidents do not re-occur?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI VINOD KHANNA): (a) and (c) There are some Indians in jails abroad for violation of local laws. Indian Missions abroad provide all possible assistance to Indian nationals in foreign jails, including their early repatriation to India where possible, speedy trail, proper treatment and living conditions and ensure that there is no miscarriage of justice.

(b) A Statement providing desired information in respect of 103 countries is enclosed.

***Statement***

*Indians in foreign jails*

| Sl.No. | Country | Number of Indians languishing in foreign jails |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 1. | Algeria | Nil |
| *2.* | Argentina | 3 under house arrest |
| 3. | Armenia | 1 |
| 4. | Australia | 1 |
| 5. | Austria | Nil |

| 1 | 2 | 3 |
|---|---|---|
| 6. | Azerbaijan | Nil |
| 7. | Bahrain | 119 |
| 8. | Bangladesh | No data available |
| 9. | Belgium | 14 |
| 10. | Belize | Nil |
| 11. | Bolivia | Nil |
| 12. | Botswana | Nil |
| 13. | Brazil | Nil |
| 14. | Brunei | Nil |
| 15. | Bulgaria | Nil |
| 16. | Burkina Faso | Nil |
| 17. | Cambodia | 1 |
| 18. | Canada | 3 |
| 19. | Central African Republic | Nil |
| 20. | Chile | Nil |
| 21. | China | Nil |
| 22. | Colombia | Nil |
| 23. | Comoros | Nil |
| 24. | Cote D'Ivoire | Nil |
| 25. | Croatia | Nil |
| 26. | Cuba | 1 |
| 27. | Cyprus | Nil |
| 28. | Czech Republic | Nil |
| 29. | Denmark | 9 |
| 30. | Djibouti | Nil |
| 31. | El Salvador | Nil |
| 32. | Ethiopia | Nil |
| 33. | Fiji | Nil |
| 34. | France | Nil |
| 35. | Germany | Nil |
| 36. | Ghana | Nil |
| 37. | Guatemala | Nil |
| 38. | Guinea | Nil |

| 1 | 2 | 3 | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 39. | Guyana | Nil | | |
| 40. | Honduras | Nil | | |
| 41. | Hong Kong | 39 | | |
| 42. | Hungary | 10 | | |
| 43. | Iran | 4 | | |
| 44. | Ireland | Nil | | |
| 45. | Israel | 9 | | |
| 46. | Italy | 39 | | |
| 47. | Jamaica | Nil | | |
| 48. | Japan | 4 | | |
| 49. | Jordan | 4 | | |
| 50. | Kuwait | Very few are in jails | | |
| 51. | Latvia | Nil | | |
| 52. | Lebanon | 180 | | |
| 53. | Liberia | Nil | | |
| 54. | Libya | 1 | | |
| 55. | Macedonia | Nil | | |
| 56. | Madagascar | 2 | | |
| 57. | Malaysia | 311 | | |
| 58. | Maldives | 32 | | |
| 59. | Mexico | Nil | | |
| 60. | Mongolia | Nil | | |
| 61. | Mozambique | Nil | | |
| 62 | Myanmar | 46 | | |
| 63. | Namibia | Nil | | |
| 64. | Nicaragua | Nil | | |
| 65. | Niger | Nil | | |
| 66. | Oman | 22 | | |
| 67. | Pakistan | 1. | Civilian prisoners | 883 |
| | | 2. | Fishermen | 245 |
| | | 3. | Missing Defence personnel | 054 |
| 68. | Panama | 3 | | |
| 69. | Papua New Guinea | Nil | | |
| 70. | Peru | Nil | | |

| 1 | 2 | 3 |
|---|---|---|
| 71. | Poland | 1 |
| 72. | Portugal | 2 |
| 73. | Qatar | 36 |
| 74. | Russia | 4 |
| 75. | Saudi Arabia | 1160 |
| 76. | Seychelles | Nil |
| 77. | Serbia and Montengro | Nil |
| 78. | Sierra Leone | Nil |
| 79. | Singapore | 43 |
| 80. | Solomon Islands | Nil |
| 81. | South Africa | 6 |
| 82. | Sri Lanka | 60 |
| 83. | Sudan | Nil |
| 84. | Swaziland | Nil |
| 85. | Sweden | Nil |
| 86. | Switzerland | 1 |
| 87. | Tajikistan | Nil |
| 88. | Tanzania | Nil |
| 89. | Thailand | 37 |
| 90. | Togo | Nil |
| 91. | Tunisia | Nil |
| 92. | Turkey | 6 in police custody |
| 93. | UAE | 2214 (as of November, 2002) out of which 923 were convicted prisoners and 1291 under-trial prisoners. |
| 94. | Uganda | Nil |
| 95. | Ukraine | 2 |
| 96. | United Kingdom | 258 |
| 97. | USA | 23 |
| 98. | Uzbekistan | Nil |
| 99. | Vanutatu | Nil |
| 100. | Vietnam | Nil |
| 101. | Yemen . | Nil |
| 102. | Yugoslavia | Nil |
| 103. | Zimbabwe | Nil |
| | TOTAL: | 5893 |